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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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 First Inventor Rafael L. Espinoza
 Title Improved Catalysts for the Conversion of Methane to...
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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 See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee	Code (\$)	Fee	Code (\$)		
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing Fee	\$770.00
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	\$
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	\$
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	\$
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	\$

SUBTOTAL (1) \$770.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid	
43	20**	=	23	x	18.00	=	\$414.00
Independent	4	3**	=	1	x	86.00	= \$86.00
Claims							
Multiple Dependent				290.00 = \$ 00.00			

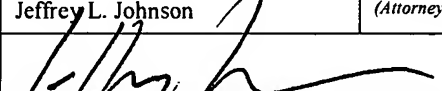
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent Claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$500.00

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